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For: PHENY(ALKYL)CARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES AND DIONIC  
PHENYLALKYLHETEROCYCLIC DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS MEDICINES  
WITH SERUM GLUCOSE AND/OR SERUM LIPID LOWERING ACTIVITY

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**AMENDMENT**

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2008 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due November 28, 2008. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a one-month extension of time is \$130 and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now December 28, 2008. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is being timely filed.

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